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Commissioner of Patents  
Washington DC 20231

Re: Patent App'n SN  
**09/133,741** filed 08/13/1998,  
of Baldwin, entitled "Improved  
Triangle Clipping for 3D  
Graphics" (Atty Docket No.  
TD-143)

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Honorable Commissioner:

Enclosed is an Amendment in connection with the U.S. Patent Application referenced above. Any extension of time necessary for response to the outstanding Action is respectfully requested. The correct amount of fee is believed to be as follows (but in any case the Commissioner is requested to grant any extension necessary to prevent abandonment). A check for this amount is enclosed. Please charge any deficit or nonpayment, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 07-2320. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 07/31/01, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. As specified in the attached cover sheet, any extension of time necessary to prevent abandonment has been requested, and any fee necessary for consideration of this paper has been authorized to be charged to Deposit Account Number 07-2320.

EXTANT CLAIMS

Following are clean copies of the extant claims, including any further amendment requested herewith:

1. (AMENDED) A method for clipping graphics primitives for display, comprising the steps of:  
performing a clipping algorithm which uses only a single circular buffer to store input and output vertices of a primitive; and  
5 for each one of said vertices, indicating whether said one of said vertices is visible with respect to each plane of a view volume.
2. The method of Claim 1, wherein only vertices which are visible in all said planes are rasterized.

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